

AUGUST 01, 2016 8:30 A.M.

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JONES COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BUILDING, 110 MARKET STREET

TRENTON, NC 28585

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Zack Koonce, Chairperson
Frank Emory, Vice-Chairperson
Mike Haddock, Commissioner
Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Commissioner

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Franky J. Howard, County Manager
Angelica Hall, Clerk

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Joseph Wiggins, Commissioner

The Chairperson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Mike Haddock gave the invocation. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs, and unanimously carried **THAT** the agenda be **APPROVED** as presented.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory, and unanimously carried **THAT** the minutes for Regular Meeting on July 18, 2016 be **APPROVED**.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

No Comment

1. JONES COUNTY SCHOOLS-CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND WIOA PROGRAM

No presentation

2. LATE APPLICATION

Mr. Samuel Croom, Tax Administrator, presented the Board with a late application for approval. There was no discussion. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** the late application **APPROVED** as presented. A copy of this application is marked **EXHIBIT A** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

3. ANIMAL BITE/EXPOSURE FY 2015-2016

Mr. Wesley Smith, Health Director, presented to the Board the Animal Bite/Exposure Report for FY 2015-2016. Mr. Smith explained to the Board that rabies and communicable disease control laws impose duties on local health directors to respond to reported animal bites, manage potential human exposure to rabies, and organize at least one rabies vaccination clinic per year. Mr. Smith request the Board receive the Animal Bite/Exposure Report for FY 2015-2016. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Mike Haddock seconded by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs and unanimously carried **THAT** the report be **RECIEVED** as presented. A

copy of this report is marked **EXHIBIT B** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

4. SOLAR FARM

Mr. Franky Howard informed the Board of the Meeting Notice for the Solar Farm. The meeting is Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at 6:00 pm, at the Jones County Courthouse. Information only, no action needed.

5. TAX ONLINE PAYMENT PROPOSAL

Mr. Samuel Croom, Tax Administrator, presented the Board with a Tax Online Payment Proposal. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs seconded by Commissioner Mike Haddock and unanimously carried **THAT** the proposal be **APPROVED** as presented.

6. UPDATE- NACO CONFERENCE

Mr. Franky Howard provided an update to the Board on information received from the NACO Conference. Information only, no action needed.

7. PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSOLIDATION

Mr. Franky Howard informed the Board of a date change for the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing for Consolidation would not be on August 22, 2016 as stated in the previous meeting. But to comply to the 30 day notice the meeting will be August 29, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

No Report

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

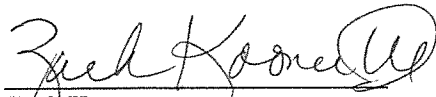
Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs, requested something be done about the Hwy 41 intersection due to multiple accidents.

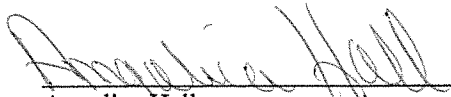
Chairperson Zack Koonce, requested workshop be scheduled to discuss County employees attending Commissioner Meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be **ADJOURN** at 9:10 a.m.


Zack Koonce
Chairman


Angelica Hall
Clerk to the Board

AV-9

Web
7-15**Application for Property**Elderly or Disabled Exclusion (G.S.
Disabled Veteran Exclusion (G.S. 105-277.1C), or
Circuit Breaker Tax Deferment Program (G.S. 105-277.1B)

EXHIBIT A

JUN 28 2016

Tax Department
Year 2016County of JONES, NC**Instructions**

Application Deadline: This application must be filed by June 1st to be timely filed. You may submit additional information separately if needed.

Where to Submit Application: Submit this application to the county tax assessor where this property is located. County tax assessor addresses and telephone numbers can be found online at: www.dornc.com/downloads/CountyList.pdf. DO NOT submit this application to the North Carolina Department of Revenue.

- Office Use Only:

Property ID Number			
Last Name of Applicant	First Name	Middle Name	Date of Birth (MM-DD-YY)
West	Nelson	Lee	1-20-1943
Last Name of Spouse	First Name	Middle Name	Date of Birth (MM-DD-YY)
West	Diane	Andrews	5-19-1950
Residence Address			
2093 Franksfield Rd			
City	State		Zip Code
	Trenton NC		28585
Mailing Address (if different from residence address)			
City	State		Zip Code
E-mail Address			
Home Telephone Number	Work Telephone Number	Ext.	Cell Phone Number
252.448.2651			

Fill in applicable boxes:☒ Yes ☐ No ➤ Is this property your permanent legal residence?

Addresses of secondary residences (if any):

☒ Yes ☐ No ➤ If married, does your spouse live with you in the residence? If you answer **No**, provide your spouse's address.

Addresses of spouse:

☐ Yes ☒ No ➤ Are you or your spouse (if applicable) currently residing in a health care facility? If you answer **Yes**, fill in applicable circle
☐ Applicant ☐ Spouse and indicate current length of stay:☒ Yes ☐ No ➤ Do you and your spouse (if applicable) own 100% interest in the property? If you answer **No**, list all owners and their ownership percentage (round to the nearest 0.1%):

Owner		%	Owner		%
Owner		%	Owner		%
Owner		%	Owner		%

Note: Separate applications are required for each owner that is claiming property tax relief. If husband and wife own the property, only one application is required.

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Tax Department

Part 1. Selecting the Program

Each owner may receive benefit from only one of the three property tax relief programs, even though you may meet the requirements for more than one program.

However, it is possible that the tax rates or tax values may not be established until some time after the filing of this application. This can make it difficult for you to determine which program you prefer. The following procedures will help to resolve this situation.

Applying for One Program

If you know that you only wish to apply for one program, indicate only that program at the bottom of this section. The assessor will review your application and send you a notice of decision. The notice of decision will also explain the procedures to appeal if you do not agree with the decision of the assessor.

Applying for More Than One Program

Each owner is eligible to receive benefit from only one program. However, if you think you meet the requirements for more than one program but, as a result of the uncertainty of tax rates or values at the time of application, you are unable to make a decision on which one program you wish to choose, indicate all of the programs at the bottom of this section for which you wish to receive consideration. When the tax rates and values are determined, the assessor will review your application and will send you a letter notifying you of your options. If the letter indicates that you do not qualify or if you disagree with any decision in the letter, you may appeal. You must respond to the option letter within the specified time period or it will be assumed that you do not wish to participate in any of the property tax relief programs. In that case, you will be so notified and you will have the chance to appeal.

Please read the descriptions and requirements of the three programs on the following pages and then select the program(s) for which you are applying:

Fill in applicable circles:

- ☐ Elderly or Disabled Exclusion
☐ Disabled Veteran Exclusion
☐ Circuit Breaker Tax Deferral Program

You Must Complete:

Parts 2, 5, 6

Parts 3, 6

Parts 4, 5, 6

Jones County

If you select more than one program, please read ALL of the information on this page!

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Part 2. Elderly or Disabled Exclusion

Tax Department

Short Description: This program excludes the greater of the first \$25,000 or 50% of the appraised value of the permanent residence of a qualifying owner. A qualifying owner must either be at least 65 years of age or be totally and permanently disabled. The owner cannot have an income amount for the previous year that exceeds the income eligibility limit for the current year, which for the 2016 tax year is \$29,500. See G.S. 105-277.1 for the full text of the statute.

Multiple Owners: Benefit limitations may apply when there are multiple owners. Each owner must file a separate application (other than husband and wife). Each eligible owner may receive benefits under either the Elderly or Disabled Exclusion or the Disabled Veteran Exclusion. The Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferral cannot be combined with either of these two programs.

Fill in applicable boxes:

- ☒ Yes ☐ No As of January 1, were either you or your spouse (if applicable) at least 65 years of age? If you answer Yes, you do not have to file Form AV-9A Certification of Disability.
- ☐ Yes ☐ No As of January 1, were you and your spouse (if applicable) both less than 65 years of age and at least one of you was totally and permanently disabled? If you answer Yes, you must file Form AV-9A Certification of Disability.

- Requirements:
1. File Form AV-9A Certification of Disability if required above.
 2. Complete Part 5. Income Information.
 3. Complete Part 6. Affirmation and Signature.

Part 3. Disabled Veteran Exclusion

Short Description: This program excludes up to the first \$45,000 of the appraised value of the permanent residence of a disabled veteran. A disabled veteran is defined as a veteran whose character of service at separation was honorable or under honorable conditions and who has a total and permanent service-connected disability or who received benefits for specially adapted housing under 38 U.S.C. 2101. There is no age or income limitation for this program. This benefit is also available to a surviving spouse (who has not remarried) of either (1) a disabled veteran as defined above, (2) a veteran who died as a result of a service-connected condition whose character of service at separation was honorable or under honorable conditions, or (3) a servicemember who died from a service-connected condition in the line of duty and not as a result of willful misconduct. See G.S. 105-277.1C for the full text of the statute.

Multiple Owners: Benefit limitations may apply when there are multiple owners. Each owner must file a separate application (other than husband and wife). Each eligible owner may receive benefits under either the Disabled Veteran Exclusion or the Elderly or Disabled Exclusion. The Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment cannot be combined with either of these two programs.

Fill in applicable boxes:

☐ Yes ☐ No I am a disabled veteran. (See definition of disabled veteran above.)

☐ Yes ☐ No I am the surviving spouse of either a disabled veteran or a servicemember who met the conditions in the description above. If you answer Yes, complete the next question.

☐ Yes ☐ No I am currently unmarried and I have never remarried since the death of the veteran.

- Requirements:
1. File Form NCDVA-9 Certification for Disabled Veteran's Property Tax Exclusion. This form must first be certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, and then filed with the county tax assessor.
 2. Complete Part 6. Affirmation and Signature.

Part 4. Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment

Short Description: Under this program, taxes for each year are limited to a percentage of the qualifying owner's income. A qualifying owner must either be at least 65 years of age or be totally and permanently disabled. For an owner whose income amount for the previous year does not exceed the income eligibility limit for the current year, which for the 2016 tax year is \$29,500, the owner's taxes will be limited to four percent (4%) of the owner's income. For an owner whose income exceeds the income eligibility limit (\$29,500) but does not exceed 150% of the income eligibility limit, which for the 2016 tax year is \$44,250, the owner's taxes will be limited to five percent (5%) of the owner's income.

However, the taxes over the limitation amount are deferred and remain a lien on the property. The last three years of deferred taxes prior to a disqualifying event will become due and payable, with interest, on the date of the disqualifying event. Interest accrues on the deferred taxes as if they had been payable on the dates on which they would have originally become due. Disqualifying events are death of the owner, transfer of the property, and failure to use the property as the owner's permanent residence. Exceptions and special provisions apply. See G.S. 105-277.1B for the full text of the statute.

YOU MUST FILE A NEW APPLICATION FOR THIS PROGRAM EVERY YEAR!!

Multiple Owners: Each owner (other than husband and wife) must file a separate application. All owners must qualify and elect to defer taxes under this program or no benefit is allowed under this program. The Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment cannot be combined with either the Elderly or Disabled Exclusion or the Disabled Veteran Exclusion.

Fill in applicable boxes:

☒ Yes ☐ No As of January 1, were either you or your spouse (if applicable) at least 65 years of age? If you answer Yes, you do not have to file Form AV-9A Certification of Disability.

☐ Yes ☐ No As of January 1, were you and your spouse (if applicable) both less than 65 years of age and at least one of you was totally and permanently disabled? If you answer Yes, you must file Form AV-9A Certification of Disability.

☒ Yes ☐ No Have you owned the property for the last five full years prior to January 1 of this year and occupied the property for a total of five years?

☒ Yes ☐ No Do all owners of this property qualify for this program and elect to defer taxes under this program? If you answer No, the property cannot receive benefit under this program.

- Requirements:
1. File Form AV-9A Certification of Disability if required above.
 2. Complete Part 5. Income Information.
 3. Complete Part 6. Affirmation and Signature.

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Part 5. Income Information (complete only if you also completed Part 2 or Part 4)

Social Security Number (SSN) disclosure is mandatory for approval of the Elderly or Disabled Exclusion and the Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment Program and will be used to establish the identification of the applicant. The SSN may be used for verification of information provided on this application. The authority to require this number is given by 42 U.S.C. Section 405(c)(2)(C)(i). The SSN and all income tax information will be kept confidential. The SSN may also be used to facilitate collection of property taxes if you do not timely and voluntarily pay the taxes. Using the SSN will allow the tax collector to claim payment of an unpaid property tax bill from any State income tax refund that might otherwise be owed to you. Your SSN may be shared with the State for this purpose. In addition, your SSN may be used to garnish wages or attach bank accounts for failure to timely pay taxes.

Applicant's Social Security Number

Spouse's Social Security Number

Requirements:

1. You must provide a copy of the first page of your individual Federal Income Tax Return for the previous calendar year (unless you do not file a Federal Income Tax Return). Married applicants filing separate returns must submit both returns. If you have not filed your Federal Income Tax Return at the time you submit this application, submit a copy of the first page when you file your return. Your income tax returns are confidential and will be treated as such. Your application will not be processed until the income tax information is received. Please check the appropriate box concerning the submission of your Federal Income Tax Return.

Fill in applicable box:

- ☒ Federal Income Tax Return submitted with this application.
☐ Federal Income Tax Return will be submitted when filed with the IRS.
☐ I will not file a Federal Income Tax Return with the IRS for the previous calendar year.

2. Provide the income information requested below for the previous calendar year. Provide the total amount for both spouses. If you do not file a Federal Income Tax Return, you must attach documentation of the income that you report below (W-2, SSA-1099, 1099-R, 1099-INT, 1099-DIV, financial institution statements, etc.).

a. Wages, Salaries, Tips, etc	\$	1,081.00
b. Interest (Taxable and Tax Exempt).....	\$	
c. Dividends.....	\$	
d. Capital Gains.....	\$	
e. IRA Distributions.....	\$	
f. Pensions and Annuities.....	\$	
g. Disability Payments (not included in Pensions and Annuities).....	\$	
h. Social Security Benefits (Taxable and Tax Exempt).....	\$	15,106.80 13,236.20
i. All other moneys received (Describe in Comments section.).....	\$	
Total.....	\$	29,404.00

Comments:

INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

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Part 6. Affirmation and Signature

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT – Under penalties prescribed by law, I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all information furnished by me in connection with this application is true and complete. Furthermore, I understand that if I participate in the Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment Program, liens for the deferred taxes will exist on my property, and that when a disqualifying event occurs, the taxes for the year of the disqualifying event will be fully taxed and the last three years of deferred taxes prior to the disqualifying event will become due and payable, with all applicable interest.

<u>Nelson L. West</u> Applicant's Name (please print)	<u>Nelson L. West</u> Applicant's Signature	<u>6-29-16</u> Date
<u>Diane A. West</u> Spouse's Name (please print)	<u>Diane A. West</u> Spouse's Signature	<u>6-29-16</u> Date

Refer to the Instructions on Page 1 for filing information and filing location.*

Office Use Only

Approved: Y / N

☐ Elderly/Disabled☐ Disabled Veteran☐ Circuit Breaker:☐ 4%☐ 5%

Date: ____/____/____ By: ____ Comments: ____

AV-9A Received: ____/____/____ NCDVA-9 Received: ____/____/____

FITR Received: ____/____/____ Income: \$ 29,424

*All applications must be submitted by June 1 to be timely filed.

Late Applications: Upon a showing of good cause by the applicant for failure to make a timely application, an application for exemption or exclusion filed after the [due date] may be approved by the Department of Revenue, the board of equalization and review, the board of county commissioners, or the governing body of a municipality, as appropriate. An untimely application for exemption or exclusion approved under this subsection applies only to property taxes levied by the county or municipality in the calendar year in which the untimely application is filed. [N.C.G.S. 105-282.1(a1)]

Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service
U.S. Individual Income Tax Return (99) 2015 IRS Use Only - Do not write or staple in this space.

OMB No. 1545-0074

Name and initial ELSON L **Last name** WEST **Your social security number** [REDACTED]

If a joint return, spouse's first name and initial DIANE A **Last name** WEST **Spouse's social security number** [REDACTED]

Home address (number and street). If you have a P.O. box, see instructions. 2093 FRANKSFIELD RD **Apt. no.**

City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. If you have a foreign address, also complete spaces below (see instructions). TRENTON, NC 28585

Foreign country name **Foreign province/state/county** **Foreign postal code**

Filing status Check only one box

1 ☐ Single

2 ☒ Married filing jointly (even if only one had income)

3 ☐ Married filing separately. Enter spouse's SSN above and full name here.

4 ☐ Head of household (with qualifying person). (See instr.) If the qualifying person is a child but not your dependent, enter this child's name here.

5 ☐ Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child (see instructions)

Exemptions

6a ☒ Yourself. If someone can claim you as a dependent, do not check box 6a.

b ☒ Spouse

c **Dependents:**

(1) First name	Last name	(2) Dependent's social security number	(3) Dependent's relationship to you	(4) X if child under age 17 qualifying for child tax credit (see instructions)
TIMOTHY	WEST	[REDACTED]	Grandchild	<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>

Boxes checked on 6a and 6b 2

No. of children on 6c who:

- lived with you 1
- did not live with you due to divorce or separation (see instructions) 0
- Dependents on 6c not entered above 0

d Total number of exemptions claimed. Add numbers on lines above 3

Income

Attach Form(s) W-2 here. Also attach Form(s) 1099-R if tax was withheld.

If you did not get a W-2, see instructions.

7 Wages, salaries, tips, etc. Attach Form(s) W-2. 7 1,081.

8a Taxable interest. Attach Schedule B if required. 8a

b Tax-exempt interest. Do not include on line 8a. 8b

9a Ordinary dividends. Attach Schedule B if required. 9a

b Qualified dividends (see instructions). 9b

10 Capital gain distributions (see instructions). 10

11a IRA distributions. 11a

11b Taxable amount (see instructions). 11b

12a Pensions and annuities. 12a

12b Taxable amount (see instructions). 12b

13 Unemployment compensation and Alaska Permanent Fund dividends. 13

14a Social security benefits. 14a 28,343.

14b Taxable amount (see instructions). 14b

15 Add lines 7 through 14b (far right column). This is your total income. 15 1,081.

Adjusted gross income

16 Educator expenses (see instructions). 16

17 IRA deduction (see instructions). 17

18 Student loan interest deduction (see instructions). 18

19 Tuition and fees. Attach Form 8917. 19

20 Add lines 16 through 19. These are your total adjustments. 20 0.

21 Subtract line 20 from line 15. This is your adjusted gross income. 21 1,081.

For Disclosure, Privacy Act, and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

Form 1040A (2015)

Total \$ 29429

EXHIBIT B

Incident Number	Date	Time	Location of Incident	Species of Animal	Type of Incident (Bite or Exposure)	Current on Rabies Vaccination?	Was Animal Quarantined for 10 Days?	If Quarantined, Where?
15-01	7/22/2015	Noon	Trenton	Cat	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Riverbank
15-02	8/1/2015	10:00 PM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-03	8/9/2015	7:25 AM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Riverbank
15-04	8/17/2015	Unknown	Pink Hill (Jones Co.)	Dog	Potential Exposure to Human	No	Yes	Riverbank
15-05	9/6/2015	10:00 AM	Trenton	Cat	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Owner's Property
15-06	9/11/2015	4:15 PM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Riverbank
15-07	9/26/2015	Unknown	Maysville (Onslow Co.)	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Onslow Co.
15-08	10/18/2015	5:30 PM	Trenton	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-09	10/23/2015	8:30 AM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-10	10/23/2015	2:00 AM	New Bern (Jones Co.)	Cat	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	No - Late Notification	N/A
15-11	10/28/2015	Unknown	Maysville	Cat	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-12	11/1/2015	10:00 AM	Pollocksville	Cat	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-13	11/7/2015	10:00 AM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property (Craven Co.)
15-14	11/14/2015	10:00 AM	Trenton	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-15	12/4/2015	N/A	Maysville	Dog	Numerous Un-Vaccinated Dogs & Cats	No	N/A	N/A

Disposition of Animal	Other Pertinent Information
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	Sent to State Lab - Negative for Rabies
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Unknown - Onslow County Incident	Case Referred to Onslow County Since Owner Lives There
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Reclaimed by Owner	Bite Occurred 10/23/15; HD Notified 10/27/15
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Reclaimed by Owner	Case Referred to Craven County Since Owner Lives There
Reclaimed by Owner	Veterinarian Bit While Participating in Rabies Clinic
Certified Letter Sent to Owner	Certified Letter Returned Unopened

15-16	12/11/2015	Unknown	Maysville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Animal	No	No	N/A
Incident Number	Date	Time	Location of Incident	Species of Animal	Type of Incident (Bite or Exposure)	Current on Rabies Vaccination?	Was Animal Quarantined for 10 Days?	If Quarantined, Where?
15-17	12/23/2015	7:00 PM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property (Craven Co.)
15-18	3/8/2016	8:00 AM	Pollocksville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Owner's Property
15-19	3/12/2016	6:10 PM	Long Point Community	Dog	Suspicious Acting Dog - Potential Exposure	Unknown	No	N/A
15-20	3/24/2016	4:00 PM	Trenton	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Owner's Property
15-21	4/4/2016	4:00 PM	Pollocksville	Cat	Suspicious Acting Cat - Potential Exposure	No	No	N/A
15-22	4/15/2016	3:15 PM	Maysville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Owner's Property
15-23	4/29/2016	1:45 PM	Trenton	Dog	Suspicious Acting Raccoon Bite/Potential Exposure	Yes	No	N/A
15-24	5/6/2016	3:45 PM	New Bern (Jones Co.)	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Owner's Property/Riverbank
15-25	5/13/2016	11:45 AM	Maysville	Dog	Bite - Animal to Animal	No	No	Unable to Locate
15-26	6/14/2016	2:30 PM	Kinston (Jones Co.)	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property
15-27	6/27/2016	8:30 PM	Trenton	Dog	Bite - Animal to Human	No	Yes	Owner's Property/Riverbank
15-28	6/29/2016	Unknown	Trenton	Dog	Bite - Animal to Animal	Yes	Yes	Owner's Property

Court Order to Surrender Animals	Animals Surrendered to Craven County Animal Control
Disposition of Animal	Other Pertinent Information
Case Referred to Craven Co.	Animal Previously Received from Humane Society
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	Declaration of Vicious Animal Letter Sent
Dog Put Down by Deputy	Sent to State Lab - Negative for Rabies
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Cat Found Dead by Owner	Sent to State Lab - Negative for Rabies
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Booster Rabies Vaccination Provided	Unable to Locate Raccoon
Vaccinated & Reclaimed by Owner	Quarantined at home X 3 days, then at Riverbank X 7
Still at Large	Cat received rabies vaccination on 5/16/16
Reclaimed by Owner	Late Quarantine Order due to LHD out of office on vacation
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A
Reclaimed by Owner	N/A

Month	Incidence by Month	Location of Incident - Jones County				Location - Other County		Species of Animal		Type of Incidence			Current on Rabies Vaccination?			Quarantine Required?	
		Trenton	Pollocksville	Maysville	Other			Dog	Cat	Bite	Exposure Only	Other	Yes	No	Unknown	Yes	No
July	1	1							1	1				1		1	
August	3		2		1			3		2	1		1	2		3	
September	3	1	1			1		2	1	3				3		3	
October	4	1	1	1	1			2	2	4			4			3	1
November	3	1	2					2	1	3			3			3	
December	3		1	2				3		2		1	1	2		1	2
January	0																
February	0																
March	3	1	1		1			3		2	1			2	1	2	1
April	3	1	1	1				2	1	2	1		1	2		1	2
May	2			1	1			2		2				2		2	
June	3	2			1			3		3			2	1		3	
Total	28	8	9	5	5	1		22	6	24	3	1	12	15	1	22	6

If Required, Where Quarantined		
Owner's Property	Vet/ Shelter	Unknown/ Unable to Locate
	1	
1	2	
1	1	1
3		
3		
1		
2		
1		
1		1
2	1	
15	5	2



UNC
SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT

Coates' Canons
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Coates' Canons Blog: Mandates in animal control: What MUST local governments do?

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I am often asked, what animal control services MUST local governments provide? The question may come from local officials who are in the process of evaluating their options. Perhaps money is tight and they are considering dropping some animal control services, consolidating services with another jurisdiction or otherwise streamlining animal-related functions. Or the question may come from the media or members of the public, often because they are frustrated that local officials are not responding to an animal-related issue. For example, an article on urban coyotes in Sunday's Charlotte Observer explained that despite the growing coyote population and the public's expressed concerns, "county animal control doesn't respond to coyote calls, referring residents to state officials and private contractors who trap wildlife for a fee." So, what is the answer?

The short answer is *very few*. State law *authorizes* local governments to provide quite a few animal control services but *requires* only a handful of services.

State law mandates local government action in three main areas: rabies control, animal adoption and dangerous dogs. Some of these mandates are actually new, stemming from the recently enacted legislation discussed in an earlier blog post.

Rabies control

State law requires that an "animal control officer" – defined as a city or county employee whose responsibility includes animal control – canvass the jurisdiction to determine if there are dogs, cats or ferrets not wearing rabies vaccination tags (G.S. 130A-192, as amended by 2009-327). If such an animal is found, the law directs the officer to follow up with the animal's owner, if known (i.e., animal wearing a tag or microchipped). If the owner is not known, the officer is *authorized* but not *required* to impound the animal.

If the animal is impounded, additional mandates are triggered. The amendments to G.S. 130A-192 in S.L. 2009-304 require that most impounded animals (1) be made available to the public for viewing for a minimum period of time and (2) be made available for adoption before being sold (presumably for research purposes) or euthanized. Note that the rabies law does not require every city and county to have an animal control officer that performs these functions – but the implication is that every jurisdiction will be served by one. Many municipalities, for example, rely on the county to perform this function for them while others have their own officers.

The rabies and communicable disease control laws also impose duties on local health directors to respond to reported animal bites, manage potential human exposure to rabies, and organize at least one rabies vaccination clinic per year. Local health departments often take the lead on these responsibilities but in some jurisdictions, a close partnership with local animal control officials results in some or all of this authority being delegated outside the health department (see G.S. 130A-6; delegation of authority).

Animal holding and adoption



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While local governments are not required to have animal shelters (see G.S. 153A-442 and 160A-493; authorizing county and city expenditures in support of shelters), the mandates in the rabies law related to confinement of cats and dogs that bite can be read to imply that local governments who participate in rabies control functions should have an arrangement with some type of animal holding facility. Some local governments address this need by operating their own shelter while others have agreements with neighboring jurisdictions, private shelters, boarding facilities or veterinary offices.

With the passage of S.L. 2009-304, state law imposes several new sheltering-related mandates on local governments. All animals that are "taken into custody for violation of statutes or ordinances not related to rabies control" and animals surrendered to a shelter by an owner must be held for a minimum of 72 hours, subject to limited exceptions. In addition, as mentioned above, before any animal held by a shelter can be sold or put to death, it must be made available for adoption as provided in the revised law. It is important to remember that the law does not *require* that these animals be "taken into custody," but if they are the additional mandates kick in.

Dangerous dogs

Several basic state statutes governing dangerous dogs are found in Chapter 67, Article 1A. The statutes define some key terms and outline consequences related to actions of dangerous or potentially dangerous dogs and their owners. Many local governments have also adopted their own dangerous dog ordinances to supplement the state law (see G.S. 153A-131 and 160A-187; authorizing counties and cities to regulate possession or ownership of dangerous animals). The state law imposes only one express mandate on local governments and it is procedural in nature. G.S. 67-4.1(c) requires that county or municipal authorities responsible for animal control designate (1) a person or a Board to determine when a dog is potentially dangerous and (2) a separate Board to hear appeals from such designations. The law further outlines procedures that govern such determinations and appeals, but the bottom line is that the state law assumes local government officials will be playing a role in dangerous dog regulation and enforcement.

In talking with officials over the years, it seems that many of them see the rabies and dangerous dog enforcement activities as non-negotiable services because they are related to public health and safety. They seem comfortable with the notion that they need to ensure that there is some mechanism for responding to these types of concerns within their jurisdictions, regardless of resource implications. But once we step outside of these two areas, the response is often mixed. Some perceive the public demand for local government responsiveness to issues such as animal cruelty, nuisance animals, barking dogs, or exotic animals as authoritative to the point of becoming a "mandate" from the citizens rather than the state. Others conclude that the limited resources of their local government should not be allocated to these types of "optional" services. As another trying budget year faces our state, it will be interesting to see how many animal-related services are dropped by local governments and how many new initiatives are launched.

Links

- www.charlotteobserver.com/topstories/story/1069520.html
- www.ncleg.net/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter_130A/GS_130A-184.pdf
- www.ncleg.net/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter_130A/GS_130A-192.pdf
- www.ncleg.net/Sessions/2009/Bills/Senate/PDF/S674v7.pdf
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August 15, 2016 7:00 P.M.

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JONES COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BUILDING, 110 MARKET STREET

TRENTON, NC 28585

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Zack Koonce, Chairperson
Frank Emory, Vice-Chairperson
Mike Haddock, Commissioner
Joseph Wiggins, Commissioner
Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Commissioner

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Franky J. Howard, County Manager
Angelica Hall, Clerk

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

The Chairperson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Frank Emory gave the invocation.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory, and unanimously carried **THAT** the agenda be **APPROVED** as presented.

MOTION made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs, and unanimously carried **THAT** the minutes for Regular Meeting on August 1, 2016 be

APPROVED. MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** the special minutes for June 27 2016 be **APPROVED**.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

No Public Comment

1. POLLOCKSVILLE VFD RELIEF FUND TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT

Mr. Franky Howard presented to the Board a request from Pollocksville VFD. Pollocksville VFD is requesting the appointment of Steve Mallard to replace Nickey Miller as trustee to their Fire Department Relief Fund. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs and unanimously carried **THAT** Steve Mallard be appointed as Trustee to Pollocksville Fire department Relief Fund be **APPROVED** as presented.

2. EASTERN CAROLINA COUNCIL DUES/UPDATE

Mr. Franky Howard presented to the Board a request to consider membership into the Eastern Carolina Council of Government. Mr. Howard informed the Board that additional dues to be full members would be \$1215 annually and that Jones County would gain a seat on the board. There was discussion by the Board. Chairperson Zack Koonce nominated Frank Emory to represent the Jones County Commissioners on the Council Board, no more nominations were made. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Mike Haddock and carried **THAT** the Board join the Eastern Carolina Council of Government be **APPROVED**. Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs and Commissioner Joseph Wiggins